

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
Henrik Stender et al.

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For: Peptide Nucleic Acid Probes for Analysis of  
Certain Staphylococcus Species

Examiner: DUFFY, P.A.

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this Amendment and Response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 8, 2011. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.